

**Veto Messages:**

**Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act Veto Message—Agreement:** Senate began consideration of the veto message on S. 2040, to deter terrorism, provide justice for victims. **Pages S6071–72**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXII, the veto message be held at the desk, and at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, Senate proceed to the veto message on the bill, and that there be two hours of debate, divided between the Leaders, or their designees; and that upon the use or yielding back of that time, Senate vote on passage of the bill, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding, with no intervening action or debate. **Page S6072**

**Appointments:**

**Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation:** The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 99–661, appointed the following individual to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation: Senator Reed. **Page S6089**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to the Constitution, the report of the veto of S. 2040, the Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act, received during adjournment of the Senate on September 23, 2016; ordered to be printed in the Record, spread in full upon the Journal, and held at the desk. (PM–56)

**Pages S6078–79****Messages from the House:****Page S6080****Measures Referred:****Page S6080****Additional Cosponsors:****Pages S6081–82****Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:****Pages S6082–85****Additional Statements:****Page S6078****Amendments Submitted:****Page S6085**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 5:27 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 27, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6089.)

**Committee Meetings***(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

**Chamber Action**

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 10 public bills, H.R. 6164–6173; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 162; and H. Res. 891, 894–895 were introduced. **Pages H5912–13**

**Additional Cosponsors:****Pages H5913–14****Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1877, to amend section 520J of the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants for mental health first aid training programs, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–786);

H.R. 3537, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify how controlled substance analogues are to be regulated, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 114–787, Part 1);

H.R. 5460, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a review process to review appli-

cations for certain grants to purchase equipment or systems that do not meet or exceed any applicable national voluntary consensus standards, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–788);

H.R. 3779, to restrict the inclusion of social security account numbers on documents sent by mail by the Federal Government, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–789);

H. Res. 892, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5303) to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules; and waiving a requirement of clause 6 (a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 114–790); and

H. Res. 893, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 954) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from the individual mandate certain individuals who had coverage under a terminated qualified health plan funded through the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan (CO-OP) program (H. Rept. 114–791). **Page H5912**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Thornberry to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5869**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:01 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H5869**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

***Mental Health First Aid Act:*** H.R. 1877, amended, to amend section 520J of the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants for mental health first aid training programs; **Pages H5870–71**

***Synthetic Drug Control Act:*** H.R. 3537, amended, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify how controlled substance analogues are to be regulated, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 258 yeas to 101 nays, Roll No. 557; **Pages H5871–74, H5893**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend the Controlled Substances Act to add certain synthetic substances to schedule I, and for other purposes.” **Page H5893**

***Clarification of Treatment of Electronic Sales of Livestock Act of 2016:*** H.R. 5883, amended, to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, to clarify the duties relating to services furnished in connection with the buying or selling of livestock in commerce through online, video, or other electronic methods; **Pages H5874–75**

***National Forest System Trails Stewardship Act:*** H.R. 845, amended, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to publish in the Federal Register a strategy to significantly increase the role of volunteers and partners in National Forest System trail maintenance; **Pages H5875–78**

***Transit Security Grant Program Flexibility Act:*** H.R. 5943, amended, to amend the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 to clarify certain allowable uses of funds for public transportation security assistance grants and establish periods of performance for such grants; **Pages H5878–79**

***First Responder Access to Innovative Technologies Act:*** H.R. 5460, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a review process to review applications for certain grants to purchase equipment or systems that do not meet or

exceed any applicable national voluntary consensus standards; **Pages H5879–80**

***Cyber Preparedness Act of 2016:*** H.R. 5459, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance preparedness and response capabilities for cyber attacks, and bolster the dissemination of homeland security information related to cyber threats; **Pages H5880–81**

***Securing our Agriculture and Food Act:*** H.R. 5346, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Health Affairs responsible for coordinating the efforts of the Department of Homeland Security related to food, agriculture, and veterinary defense against terrorism; **Pages H5881–83**

***Restricting the inclusion of social security account numbers on documents sent by mail by the Federal Government:*** H.R. 3779, amended, to restrict the inclusion of social security account numbers on documents sent by mail by the Federal Government; **Pages H5883–85**

***Designating the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 300 Fannin Street in Shreveport, Louisiana, as the “Tom Stagg Federal Building and United States Courthouse”:*** S. 2754, amended, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 300 Fannin Street in Shreveport, Louisiana, as the “Tom Stagg Federal Building and United States Courthouse”; **Page H5885**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 300 Fannin Street in Shreveport, Louisiana, as the ‘Tom Stagg United States Court House’.” **Page H5885**

***Designating the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 511 East San Antonio Avenue in El Paso, Texas, as the “R.E. Thomason Federal Building and United States Courthouse”:*** H.R. 5873, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 511 East San Antonio Avenue in El Paso, Texas, as the “R.E. Thomason Federal Building and United States Courthouse”; **Pages H5886–87**

***Vet Connect Act of 2016:*** H.R. 5162, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disclose to non-Department of Veterans Affairs health care providers certain medical records of veterans who receive health care from such providers; **Pages H5887–88**

***No Veterans Crisis Line Call Should Go Unanswered Act:*** H.R. 5392, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to improve the Veterans Crisis Line,

by a 2/3 ye-a-and-nay vote of 357 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 558; **Pages H5888–91 H5893–94**

**Veterans Emergency Treatment Act:** H.R. 3216, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the emergency hospital care furnished by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to certain veterans; **Pages H5891–92**

**Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Amendments Act of 2016:** H.R. 5978, amended, to amend title 14, United States Code, to clarify the functions of the Chief Acquisition Officer of the Coast Guard; and **Pages H5894–H5905**

**Naming the Department of Veterans Affairs temporary lodging facility in Indianapolis, Indiana, as the “Dr. Otis Bowen Veteran House”:** H.R. 5509, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs temporary lodging facility in Indianapolis, Indiana, as the “Dr. Otis Bowen Veteran House”.

**Pages H5905–06**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two ye-a-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5893, H5893–94. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### THE ULTIMATE CIVIL RIGHT: EXAMINING THE HYDE AMENDMENT AND THE BORN ALIVE INFANTS PROTECTION ACT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice held a hearing on September 23, 2016, entitled “The Ultimate Civil Right: Examining the Hyde Amendment and the Born Alive Infants Protection Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### VACANT FEDERAL PROPERTIES

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Public Assets held a hearing on September 23, 2016, entitled “Vacant Federal Properties”. Testimony was heard from David Mader, Controller, Office of Management and Budget; Gregory Parham, Assistant Secretary for Administration, Department of Agriculture; Michael Gelber, Deputy Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; and David Wise, Director, Physical Infrastructure, Government Accountability Office.

### REVIEWING THE TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY’S PROHIBITION ON HOUSEBOATS

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hear-

ing on September 23, 2016, entitled “Reviewing the Tennessee Valley Authority’s Prohibition on Houseboats”. Testimony was heard from William “Bill” D. Johnson, President and CEO, Tennessee Valley Authority; David Monteith, Vice Chairman, Swain County Board of Commissioners; and public witnesses.

### WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2016; CO-OP CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT OF 2016

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 5303, the “Water Resources Development Act of 2016”; and H.R. 954, the “CO-OP Consumer Protection Act of 2016”. The committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule for H.R. 954. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule for H.R. 5303. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–65 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides that no further consideration of the bill shall be in order except pursuant to a subsequent order of the House. Additionally, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of September 29, 2016,